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1. The supply of raw material to the oil refinery in Pardubice (051/M 79) was considerably reduced during the first quarter of 1949. The main source of supply is the Austrian oil fields, from which an average of 22 tank cars arrive daily.

2. Current production of the refinery is comparatively small. In order to create the impression of high production, finished gasoline from Rumania is passed through various sections of the refinery. The reason for this action is not known.

3. Current average production at the refinery is as follows:

Aircraft gasoline - 400,000 liters per week

Asphalt (substitute)* - 600 barrels per month.

4. During the first quarter of 1949 approximately 7,400 tons of oil were produced. Of this about 5,000 tons were stored at the Ministry of National Defense storage tanks at Nymburk (Nimburg - 051/G 20) and the remaining 2,400 tons were sent to storage tanks at Ruzyne (Rusun - N51/L 68) airport near Prague for later transshipment to the USSR.

5. During April 1949, 635 tons of gasoline of all types, 1,464 tons of lubricating oil, and 2,091 tons of other petroleum products were manufactured. All of this production was sent to the Nymburk storage tanks for later distribution to the Army and the State Railroads.

Comment: Presumably "residue" is meant rather than "substitute".

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